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# PicoScope® 9400 Series SXRTO sampler-extended real-time oscilloscopes

# 5 GHz, 16 GHz and 25 GHz bandwidth, 2 or 4 channels

# PicoScope 9404A-25

25 GHz bandwidth, 14 ps transition time 5 TS/s (0.2 ps resolution) random sampling

# PicoScope 9402-16 and 9404-16

16 GHz bandwidth, 22 ps transition time 2.5 TS/s (0.4 ps resolution) random sampling

# PicoScope 9402-05 and 9404-05

5 GHz bandwidth, 70 ps transition time 1 TS/s (1 ps resolution) random sampling

12-bit 500 MS/s ADCs, ±800 mV full-scale input range Pulse, eye and mask testing down to 28 ps and up to 16 Gb/s Intuitive and configurable touch-compatible Windows user interface Comprehensive built-in measurements, zooms, data masks, histograms 10 mV/div to 250 mV/div digital gain ranges Up to 250 kS trace length, shared between channels Optional clock recovery trigger to 11.3 Gb/s Optional recovered clock and data outputs



#### Product overview

The PicoScope 9400 Series sampler-extended real-time oscilloscopes (SXRTOs) have two or four high-bandwidth  $50 \Omega$  input channels with market-leading ADC, timing and display resolutions for accurately measuring and visualizing high-speed analog and data signals. They are ideal for capturing pulse and step transitions down to 14 ps, impulse down to 28 ps, and clocks and data eyes up to 16 Gb/s (with optional 11.3 Gb/s clock recovery).

The PicoScope SXRTOs offer random sampling, which can readily analyze high-bandwidth applications that involve repetitive signals or clock-related streams.

The SXRTO is fast: random sampling, persistence displays and statistics all build quickly.

The PicoScope 9400 Series has a built-in internal trigger on every channel, with pre-trigger random sampling to well above the Nyquist (real-time) sampling rate. Bandwidth is up to 25 GHz behind a  $50 \Omega 2.92 \text{ mm}$  (K) female (compatible with SMA) input, and three acquisition modes—real-time, random and roll—all capture at 12-bit resolution into a shared memory of up to 250 kS.

The touch-compatible PicoSample 4 software embodies over ten years of development, customer feedback and optimization.

The display can be resized to fit any window and fully utilize available display resolution, 4K and even larger or across multiple monitors. Four independent zoom channels can show you different views of your data down to a resolution of 0.4 ps. Most of the controls and status panels can be shown or hidden according to your application, allowing you to make optimal use of the display area.

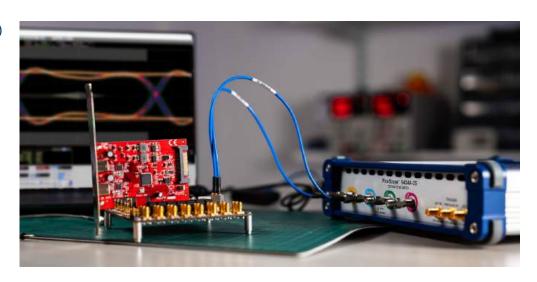
A 2.5 GHz direct trigger can be driven from any input channel, and a built-in divider can extend the off-channel trigger bandwidth to 5 GHz. On the 16 and 25 GHz models a further external prescaled trigger input allows stable trigger from signals from 16 to 20 GHz bandwidth and, from the internal triggers, recovered clock trigger is available (if optional clock recovery is fitted) at up to 11.3 Gb/s. With this option, recovered clock and data are both available on SMA outputs on the rear panel.

The price you pay for your PicoScope SXRTO is the price you pay for everything – we don't charge you for software features or updates.

# **Typical applications**

These oscilloscopes are designed for engineers working both in research laboratories and in production environments, and who, above all, need characteristics associated with flexible measurements of wide-bandwidth signals:

- Telecom and radar test, service and manufacturing
- Optical fiber, transceiver and laser testing (optical to electrical conversion not included)
- RF, microwave and gigabit digital system measurements
- Signal, eye, pulse and impulse characterization
- Precision timing and phase analysis
- Digital system design and characterization
- · Eye diagram, mask and limits test up to 16 Gb/s
- Clock and data recovery at up to 11.3 Gb/s
- Ethernet, HDMI 1, PCI, SATA and USB 2.0
- · Semiconductor characterization
- Signal, data and pulse/impulse integrity and pre-compliance testing



# **Random sampling**

PicoScope 9400 Series SXRTOs use random sampling to capture high-bandwidth repetitive or clock-derived signals without the expense or jitter of a very high-speed real-time oscilloscope. They feature the industry's lowest 1.2 ps RMS intrinsic jitter for a PC oscilloscope, allowing these oscilloscopes to capture signals with minimal timing inaccuracies.

On the 25 GHz model, the transition time is 14 ps. The 16 GHz model is 22 ps and on the 5 GHz model 70 ps. All are typically typically faster than competing equivalent bandwidth models. Random sampling enables timing resolution down to 0.2 ps, 0.4 ps and 1 ps respectively.



# **Trigger modes**

Simply feed your signal into one of the input channels.

The oscilloscopes have a DC to 2.5 GHz internal direct trigger from each input channel and 5 GHz from each channel via a divider. The 16 and 25 GHz models have an external 16 and 20 GHz prescaled trigger input respectively.

An optional clock recovery trigger is fed from the internal channel paths. With this option, clock and data signals are output on rear-panel SMA connectors.



# **Clock and data recovery**

Clock and data recovery (CDR) is available as a factory-fit optional trigger feature on all models.

Associated with high-speed serial data applications, clock and data recovery will already be familiar to PicoScope 9300 users. While low-speed serial data can often be accompanied by its clock as a separate signal, at high speed this approach would accumulate timing skew and jitter between the clock and the data that could prevent accurate data decode. Thus high-speed data receivers will generate a new clock, and using a phase locked loop technique they will lock and align that new clock to the incoming data stream. This is the *recovered clock* and it can be used to decode and thus *recover data* accurately. We have also saved the cost of an entire clock signal path by now needing only the serial data signal.

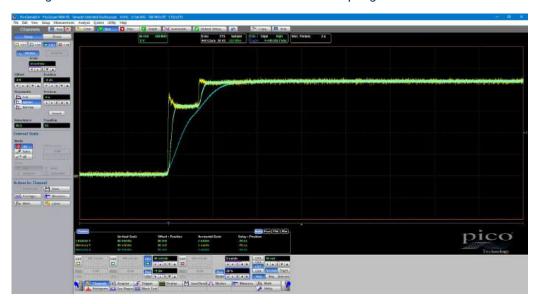
In many applications requiring our oscilloscopes to view the data, the data generator and its clock will be close at hand and we can trigger off that clock. However, if only the data is available (at the far end of an optical fiber for instance), we will need the CDR option to recover the clock and then trigger off that instead. We may also need to use the CDR option in demanding eye and jitter measurements. This is because we want our instrument to measure as exactly as possible the signal quality that a recovered clock and data receiver will see.

When fitted, the PicoScope 9400 CDR option can be selected as the trigger source from any input channel. Additionally, for use by other instruments or by downstream system elements, two SMA(f) outputs present recovered clock and recovered data on the rear panel.



## **Bandwidth limit filters**

A selectable analog bandwidth limiter (100 or 450 MHz, model-dependent) on each input channel can be used to reject high frequencies and associated noise. The narrow setting can be used as an anti-alias filter in real-time sampling modes.



# Frequency counter

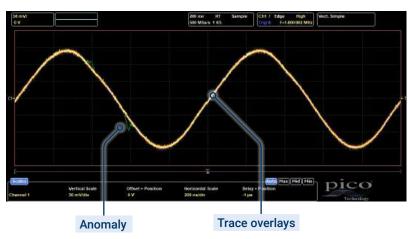
A built-in fast and accurate frequency counter shows signal frequency (or period) at all times, regardless of measurement and timebase settings and with a resolution of 1 ppm.

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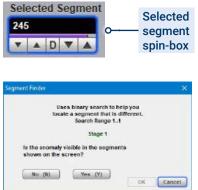
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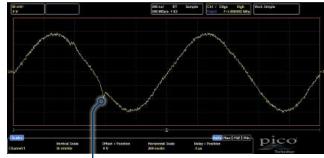
Segmented acquisition mode in the **Acquire** menu partitions the available trace memory length into multiple trace lengths (segments or buffers). Up to 1024 traces can then be captured and either layered or individually selected to display on screen. This is helpful for capturing and viewing rarely occurring events.





Having captured an anomalous event you can scroll through, or close gates around, an ever smaller block of overlaid traces, until the anomalous trace or traces are found. There is also a segment finder which uses a binary search method to address larger numbers of trace segments:





Segment finder

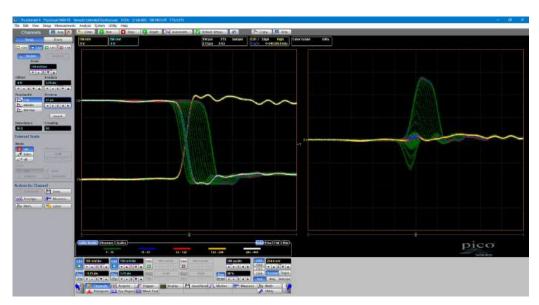
Selected segment with an anomaly

## **Channel deskew**

The deskew variable adjusts the horizontal position (time offset) of one active channel with respect to another on the instrument display. The deskew function has a  $\pm 50$  ns range. Coarse increment is 100 ps, fine increment is 10 ps. With manual or calculator data entry the increment is four significant digits or 1 ps.

Use the deskew to compensate the time offset between two or more channels. This might result from different cable or probe lengths or might allow an aligned comparison of an input and output waveshape.

Below, deskew is used to precisely align a differential pair. Addition of the traces (right half of the waveform display) allows sensitive alignment for minimum common mode.



# **SXRTO** explained

# The basic real-time oscilloscope

Real-time oscilloscopes (RTOs) are designed with a high enough sampling rate to capture a transient, non-repetitive signal with the instrument's specified analog bandwidth. This will reveal a minimum width impulse, but is far from satisfactory in revealing its shape, let alone measurements and characterization. Typical high-bandwidth RTOs exceed this sampling rate by perhaps a factor of two, achieving up to four samples per cycle, or three samples in a minimum-width impulse.

# Random sampling

For signals close to or above the RTO's Nyquist limit, many RTOs can switch to a mode called random sampling. In this mode the scope collects as many samples as it can for each of many trigger events, each trigger contributing more and more samples and detail in a reconstructed waveform. Critical to alignment of these samples is a separate and precise measurement of time between each trigger and the next occurring sample clock.

After a large number of trigger events the scope has enough samples to display the waveform with the desired time resolution. This is called the effective sampling

resolution (the inverse of the effective sampling rate), which is many times higher than is possible in real-time mode.

This technique relies on a random relationship between trigger events and the sampling clock, and can only be used for repetitive signals – those with relatively stable waveshape around the trigger event.

# The sampler-extended real-time oscilloscope (SXRTO)

The maximum effective random-sampling rate of the PicoScope 9400 25 GHz models is 5 TS/s, with a timing resolution of 0.2 ps, which is 5000 times higher than the scope's actual sampling rate.

With an analog bandwidth of up to 25 GHz, these SXRTOs would require a sampling rate exceeding 50 GS/s to meet Nyquist's criterion and somewhat more than this (perhaps 125 GS/s) to reveal wave and pulse shapes.

Using random sampling, the 16 GHz models give us 200 sample points in a single cycle at the scope's rated bandwidth or a generous 70 samples between 10% and 90% of its fastest transition time.

# So is the SXRTO a sampling scope?

All this talk of sampling rates and sampling modes may suggest that the SXRTO is a type of sampling scope, but this is not the case. The name *sampling scope*, by convention, refers to a different kind of instrument. A sampling scope uses a programmable delay generator to take samples at regular intervals after each trigger event. The technique is called *sequential equivalent-time sampling* and is the principle behind the PicoScope 9300 Series sampling scopes. These scopes can achieve very high effective sampling rates but have two main drawbacks: they cannot capture data before the trigger event, and they require a separate trigger signal – either from an external source or from a built-in clock-recovery module.

We've compiled a table to show the differences between the types of scopes mentioned on this page. The example products are all compact 4-channel USB PicoScopes.

|                                      | Real-time<br>scope | SXRTO (Sampler-extended real-time oscilloscope) |                                    | scilloscope)          | Sampling scope  |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|---|------------------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Model                                | PicoScope<br>6426E | PicoScope<br>9404-05                            | <u>PicoScope</u><br><u>9404-16</u> | PicoScope<br>9404A-25 | PicoScope 9341-25   |
| Analog bandwidth                     | 1 GHz              | 5 GHz   | 16 GHz                             | 25 GHz                | 25 GHz  |
| Real-time sampling?                  | 5 GS/s             |   | 500 MS/s                           |                       | 1 MS/s  |
| Sequential equivalent-time sampling? | No                 |   | No                                 |                       | 15 TS/s   |
| Random sampling?                     | NA                 | 1 TS/s  | 2.5 TS/s                           | 5 TS/s                | 250 MS/s  |
| Trigger on input channel?            | Yes                |   | Yes                                |                       | Up to 100 MHz bandwidth – requires external trigger or internal clock recovery option |
| Pre-trigger capture?                 | Yes                |   | Yes                                |                       | No  |
| Vertical resolution                  | 10 bits            |   | 12 bits                            |                       | 16 bits   |

# PicoConnect® 900 Series high-frequency passive probes

The PicoConnect 900 Series is a range of minimally invasive, high-frequency passive probes, designed for microwave and gigabit applications up to 9 GHz and 18 Gb/s. They deliver unprecedented performance and flexibility at a low price and are an obvious choice to use alongside the PicoScope 9400 Series scopes.

# Features of the PicoConnect 900 Series probes

- Extremely low loading capacitance of < 0.3 pF typical, 0.4 pF upper test limit for all models
- Slim, fingertip design for accurate and steady probing or solder-in at fine scale
- Interchangeable SMA probe heads at division ratios of 5:1, 10:1 and 20:1, AC or DC coupled
- Accurate probing of high-speed transmission lines for  $Z_0 = 0 \Omega$  to  $100 \Omega$
- Class-leading uncorrected pulse/eye response and pulse/eye disturbance

The PicoConnect 910 kit includes six 4 to 5 GHz probes at the three division ratios and with AC (> 160 kHz) and DC couplings.

The PicoConnect 920 kit includes six 6 to 9 GHz gigabit probes at the three division ratios and with AC (> 160 kHz) and DC couplings.

All probes (chargeable additions) are available individually or as a kit and are supplied with precision low-loss cables, spare probe tips and a solder-in kit all within a convenient storage case.

Patent no. GB 2550398





## Software

# Application-configurable PicoSample 4 oscilloscope software

The PicoSample 4 workspace takes full advantage of your available single or multiple display size and resolution, allowing you to resize the window to fit any display resolution supported by Windows.

You decide how much space to give to the trace display and the measurements display, and whether to open or hide the control menus. The user interface is fully touch- or mouse-operable, with grabbing and dragging of traces, cursors, regions and parameters. In touchscreen mode, an enlarged parameter control is displayed to assist adjustments on smaller touchscreen displays.

To zoom, either draw a zoom window or use the numerical zoom and offset controls. You can display up to four different zoomed views of the displayed waveforms.

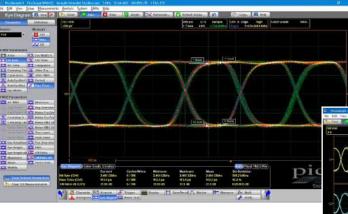
"Hidden trace" icons show a live view of any channels that are not currently on the main display.

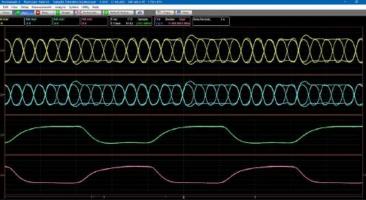
The interaction of timebase, sampling rate and capture size is normally handled automatically, but there is also an option to override this and specify the order of priority of these three parameters.

#### A choice of screen formats

When working with multiple traces, you can display them all on one grid or separate them into two or four grids. You can also plot signals in XY mode with or without

additional voltage-time grids. The persistence display modes use color-contouring or shading to show statistical variations in the signal. Trace display can be in either dots-only or vector format and all these display settings can be independent, trace by trace. Custom trace labeling is also available.





# PicoSample 4 software

The PicoSample 4 software interface provides access to commands that control all of the instrument's features and functions.

#### Display area

View live, reference and math waveforms. Drag waveforms to reposition them and drag or draw zoom windows. You can drag markers, bounds and thresholds to configure measurements on the screen. On-screen controls can be hidden to increase trace area.

#### System controls

running or stopped. Other buttons allow you to reset the oscilloscope to default status. Autoscale or erase waveforms from the display.

#### Status area

Displays acquisition status, mode and number of acquisitions. Also trigger status, date, time and a quick reference to record length and horizontal parameters.

#### Histogram window

Determines which part of the database is used to analyze and display the histogram (in red). You can set the size and position of this window within the horizontal and vertical scaling limits of the oscilloscope.

#### Main menu

Provides access to commands that control all instrument features and functions.

#### Left side menu

Left-click with your mouse. or tap a button on the Toolbar using a touch screen, to add the specified menu to the left side menu area.

#### Measurement area

Allows you to view measurement results within the following scrolling tabs:

- Scales
- Color grade
- Marker
- Measure
- Histogram
- Eye diagram
- Mask test

Resize the display area using the Auto, Max, Min and Mid buttons to show as much or as little data as you require.

#### **Permanent controls**

The most common functions that affect the waveform display.

Select whether the oscilloscope is

# Right side menu

Right-click, or long-touch on a touch screen, a button on the Toolbar to add the specified menu to the right side menu area.

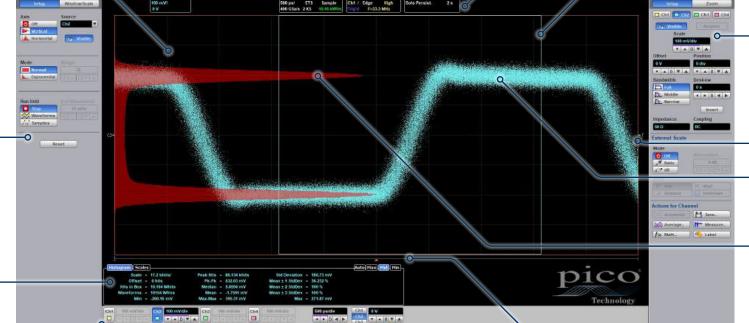
## Trigger level

Click or tap and drag the Ticon or use the **Trigger position** control to change the trigger level for the selected trigger source.

#### Waveform

#### Vertical histogram

Both horizontal and vertical (illustrated) histograms with periodically updated measurements allow statistical distributions to be analyzed and displayed over a userdefined region of the signal.



#### **Toolbar**

12 buttons to select and set-up oscilloscope operating modes: Channels, Acquire, Trigger and Display. You can also set up and execute waveform measurements: Marker, Measure, Histogram and Eye Diagram, control file management tasks (Save/Recall) and perform waveform analysis (Math and Mask Test). In addition you can set up and execute instrument calibration and use the demonstration mode (Utility).

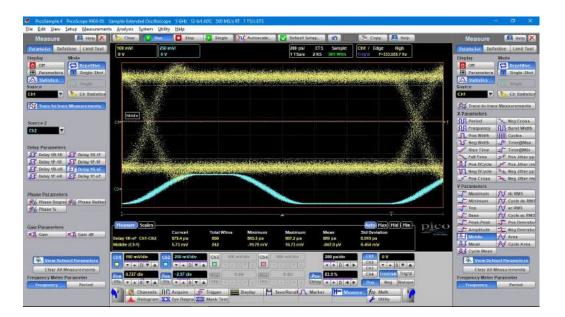
## **Trigger position**

This T icon represents the trigger position. You can move it by adjusting the Trigger position control.

#### Measurements

# Standard waveforms and eye parameters

The PicoScope 9400 Series oscilloscopes quickly measure well over 40 standard waveforms and over 70 eye parameters, either for the whole waveform or gated between markers. The markers can also make on-screen ruler measurements, so you don't need to count graticules or estimate the waveform's position. Up to ten simultaneous measurements are possible. The measurements conform to IEEE standard definitions, but you can edit them for non-standard thresholds and reference levels using the advanced menu, or by dragging the on-screen thresholds and levels. You can apply limit tests to up to four measured parameters.



#### Waveform measurements with statistics

Waveform parameters can be measured in both X and Y axes including X period, frequency, negative or positive cross and jitter. In the Y axis measurements such as max, min, DC RMS and cycle mean are available. Measurements can be within a single trace or trace-to-trace such as phase, delay and gain.

Selection of a measurement parameter displays its values, thresholds and bounds on the main display.



Single-trace measurements



Trace-to-trace measurements

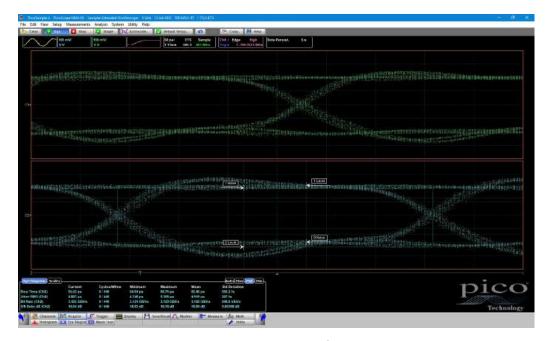


## Eye diagram measurements

The PicoScope 9400 Series scopes quickly measure more than 70 fundamental parameters used to characterize non-return-to-zero (NRZ) signals and return-to-zero (RZ) signals.



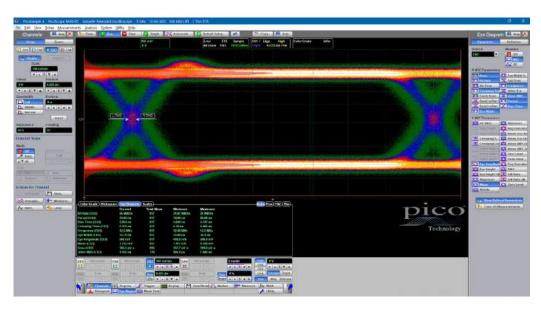
| XX Area          | Eye Width %    |
|------------------|----------------|
| Bit Rate         | X Fall Time    |
| XX Bit Time      | XX Frequency   |
| XX Crossing Tim  | → Jitter P-p   |
| Cycle Area       | → Jitter RMS   |
| DutyCycDist %    | XX Period      |
| M DutyCycDist    | X Rise Time    |
| Eye Width        |                |
| Y NRZ Parameters |                |
| XX AC RMS        | XX Minimum     |
| X Avg Power      | XX Neg Oversho |
| Avg Power di     | Noise P-p On   |
| Crossing %       | Noise P-p Ze   |
| Crossing Lev     | Noise RMS O    |
| Extinc Ratio d   | XX Noise RMS Z |
| Extinc Ratio %   | XX One Level   |
| Extinc Ratio     | XX Peak-Peak   |
| XX Eye Amplitud  | XX Pos Oversho |
| XX Eye Height    | <b>RMS</b>     |
| XX Eye Height dE | S/N Ratio      |
| XX Maximum       | S/N Ratio dB   |
| Mean             | ZZ Zero Level  |
| XX Middle        |                |



Measurement thresholds and bounds are displayed for the last selected measurement parameter.

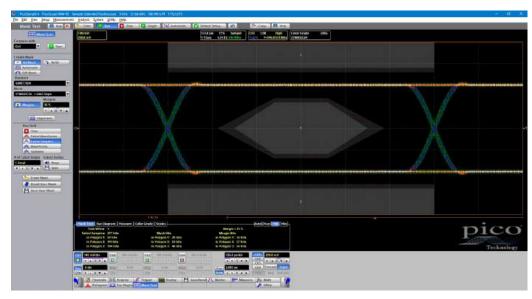
Eye diagram analysis can display data including: bit rate, period, crossing time, frequency, eye width, eye amplitude, mean, area and jitter RMS. Also shown on the graph are left and right RMS jitter markers. These measurements are selectable from within the Eye Diagram side menu and are listed on screen below the graph.

The measurement points and levels used to generate each parameter can optionally be drawn on the trace.



Eye-diagram analysis can be made even more powerful with the addition of mask testing, as described later.

# **Mask testing**



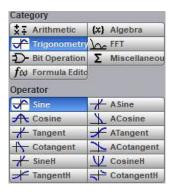
PicoSample 4 has a built-in library of over 130 masks for testing data eyes. It can count or capture mask hits or route them to an alarm or acquisition control. You can stresstest against a mask using a specified margin, and locally compile or edit masks.

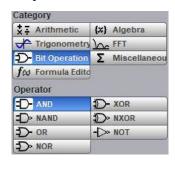
There's a choice of gray-scale and color-graded display modes, and a histogramming feature, all of which aid in analyzing noise and jitter in eye diagrams. There is also a statistical display showing a failure count for both the original mask and the margin.

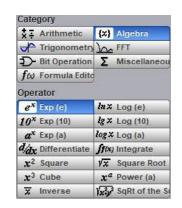
The extensive menu of built-in test waveforms is invaluable for checking your mask test setup before using it on live signals.

|   |               | Nι                 | Number of masks    |          |  |  |
|---|---------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------|--|--|
| Mask test features                                      | Masks         | 9404-05<br>9402-05 | 9404-16<br>9402-16 | 9404A-25 |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Standard predefined mask</li> </ul>            | SONET/SDH     | 8                  | 15                 | 23       |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Automask</li> </ul>                            | Ethernet      |                    | 7                  | 19       |  |  |
| Mask saved on disk                                      | Fibre Channel | 23                 | 3                  | 0        |  |  |
| <ul><li>Create new mask</li><li>Edit any mask</li></ul> | PCI Express   | 29                 | 41                 |          |  |  |
| Luit any mask   | InfiniBand    | 12                 | 15                 | 20       |  |  |
|   | XAUI          |                    | 4                  |          |  |  |
|   | RapidIO       |                    | 9                  |          |  |  |
|   | Serial ATA    |                    | 24                 |          |  |  |
|   | ITU G.703     |                    | 14                 |          |  |  |
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# Powerful mathematical analysis







The PicoScope 9400 Series scopes support up to four simultaneous mathematical combinations or functional transformations of acquired waveforms.

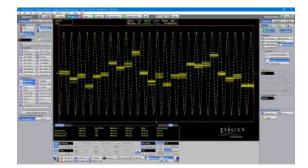
You can select any of the mathematical functions to operate on either one or two sources. All functions can operate on live waveforms, waveform memories or even other functions. There is also a comprehensive equation editor for creating custom functions of any combination of source waveforms.

- Choose from 60 math functions, or create your own.
- Add, subtract, multiply, divide, invert, absolute, exponent, logarithm, differentiate, integrate, inverse, FFT, interpolation, smoothing, trending and boolean bit operation.

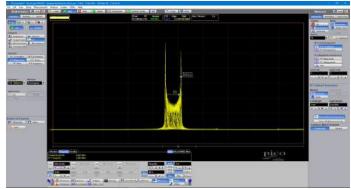


## **Trending**

Trending allows you to plot a measured time parameter, such as pulse width, period or transition time as an additional trace.

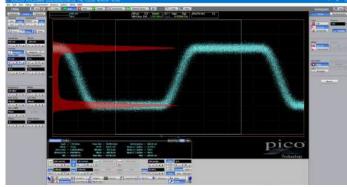


# **FFT analysis**



All PicoScope 9400 Series oscilloscopes can calculate real, imaginary and complex Fast Fourier and Inverse Fast Fourier Transforms of input signals using a range of windowing functions. The results can be further processed using the math functions. FFTs are useful for finding crosstalk and distortion problems, adjusting filter circuits, testing system impulse responses and identifying and locating noise and interference sources.

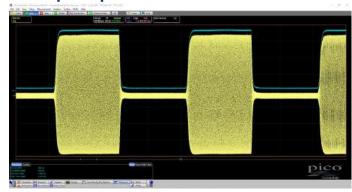
# Histogram analysis



Behind the powerful measurement and display capabilities of the 9400 Series lies a fast, efficient data histogram capability. A powerful visualization and analysis tool in its own right, the histogram is a probability graph that shows the distribution of acquired data from a source within a user-definable window.

Histograms can be constructed on waveforms on either the vertical or horizontal axes. The most common use for a vertical histogram is measuring and characterizing noise and pulse parameters. A horizontal histogram is typically used to measure and characterize jitter.

# **Envelope acquisition**



Pulsed RF carriers lie at the heart of our modern communications infrastructures, yet the shape, aberrations and timings of the final carrier pulse (at an antenna, for example) can be challenging to measure. If we choose demodulation, we are subject to the limitations of the demodulator; its bandwidth and distortions.

Envelope acquisition mode allows waveform acquisition and display showing the peak values of repeated acquisitions over a period of time.

Shown above on a PicoScope 9404-05 SXRTO is a real-time capture of pulsed amplitude 2.4 GHz carrier.

The yellow trace is an alias of the 2.4 GHz carrier displayed at a timebase of 100  $\mu$ s/div. The blue trace, offset slightly for clarity, is a **Max Envelope** capture of the yellow trace.

The enveloped waveform shows the maximum excursions of the carrier envelope and its pulse parameters can then be measured (bottom left of the image).

This measurement is limited by the maximum real-time sampling rate of the SXRTO (500 MS/s) and so has a Nyquist demodulation bandwidth of 250 MHz. Three other channels on the oscilloscope remain available to monitor, for example, modulating data and power supply voltages or currents feeding to the sourcing RF power amplifier.

# Software development kit (SDK)

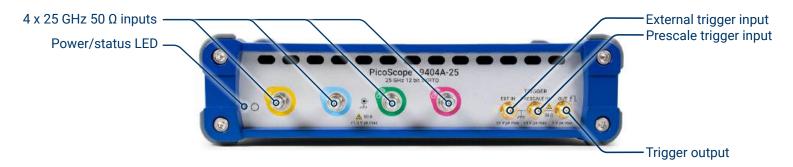
The PicoSample 4 software can operate as a standalone oscilloscope program or under ActiveX remote control. The ActiveX control conforms to the Windows COM interface standard so that you can embed it in your own software. Unlike more complex driver-based programming methods, ActiveX commands are text strings that are easy to create in any programming environment. Programming examples are provided in Visual Basic (VB.NET), MATLAB, LabVIEW and Delphi, but you can use any programming language or standard that supports the COM interface, including JavaScript and C. National Instruments LabVIEW drivers are also available. All the functions of the PicoScope 9400 and the PicoSample software are accessible remotely.

We supply a comprehensive programmer's guide that details every function of the ActiveX control. The SDK can control the oscilloscope over the USB or (on PicoScope 9404 models) the LAN port.



# PicoScope 9404A models: inputs, outputs and indicators

# 9404A-25 front panel



Power/status/trigger LED: Green under normal operation. Also indicates connection progress and trigger.

Channel inputs: CH1 to CH4. You can enable any number of channels without affecting the sampling rate; only the capture memory (250 kS) is shared between the enabled channels.

**EXT IN:** External direct trigger (up to 5 GHz)

PRESCALE: 20 GHz external prescaled trigger

**TRIGGER OUT:** Can be used to synchronize an external device to the PicoScope 9404A's rising edge, falling edge and end of holdoff triggers.



**USB:** The USB 2.0 port (also compatible with USB 3.0) is used to connect the oscilloscope to the PC. If no USB host is found, the oscilloscope tries to connect through the LAN port.

**LAN:** LAN settings must be supplied initially by connecting to the USB port. Once configured, the oscilloscope uses the LAN port if no USB host is detected.

One of up to eight PicoScope 9400 units can be addressed from the PicoSample 4 software.

**CLK & DATA:** Recovered clock and data from the currently selected trigger source and the built-in clock recovery module (optional).

**12 V DC:** Power input. Use only the earthed mains adaptor supplied with the oscilloscope.

# PicoScope 9404 models: inputs, outputs and indicators



Power LED: Green under normal operation.

**Status/trigger LED:** Indicates connection progress and trigger.

Channel inputs: CH1 to CH4. You can enable any number of channels without affecting the sampling rate; only the capture memory (250 kS) is shared between the enabled channels.

**CAL OUT:** Built-in calibrator output provides a DC, 1 kHz or variable frequency square wave output. This can be used to verify the scope's inputs.

**TRIGGER OUT:** Can be used to synchronize an external device to the PicoScope 9404's rising edge, falling edge and end of holdoff triggers.

**PRESCALE:** 16 GHz external prescaled trigger (16 GHz model only).



**RST**: reset button.

**USB:** The USB 2.0 port is used to connect the oscilloscope to the PC. If no USB host is found, the oscilloscope tries to connect through the LAN port.

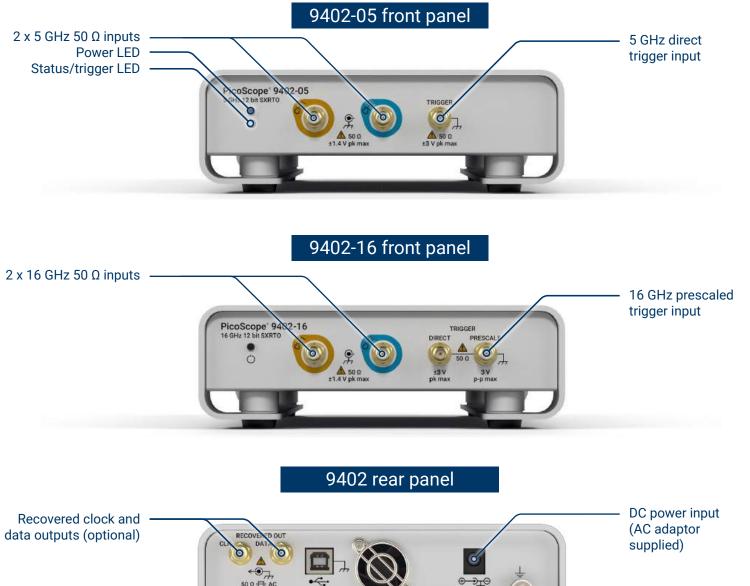
**LAN:** LAN settings must be supplied initially by connecting to the USB port. Once configured, the oscilloscope uses the LAN port if no USB host is detected.

One of up to eight PicoScope 9400 units can be addressed from the PicoSample 4 software.

**CLK & DATA:** Recovered clock and data from the currently selected trigger source and the built-in clock recovery module (optional).

**12 V DC:** Power input. Use only the earthed mains adaptor supplied with the oscilloscope.

# PicoScope 9402 models: inputs, outputs and indicators



**Power LED:** Green under normal operation.

Status/trigger LED: Indicates connection progress and trigger.

Channel inputs: CH1 and CH2. You can enable either or both channels without affecting the sampling rate; only the capture memory (250 kS) is shared between the enabled channels.

PRESCALE: 16 GHz external prescaled trigger (16 GHz model only).

**RST:** reset button.

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**USB:** The USB 2.0 port is used to connect the oscilloscope to the PC.

CLK & DATA: Recovered clock and data from the currently selected trigger source and the built-in clock recovery module (optional).

12 V DC: Power input. Use only the earthed mains adaptor supplied with the oscilloscope.

# **PicoScope 9400 specifications**

|                            |                  | PicoScope 9404-05   | PicoScope 9402-05   | PicoScope 9404-16                              | PicoScope 9402-16                            | PicoScope 9404A-25                             |  |  |
|----------------------------|------------------|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Vertical                   |                  |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|                            |                  | 4   | 2   | 4  | 2  | 4  |  |  |
| Number of inpu             | it channels      | All channels are identical and dig  | gitized simultaneously  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Analog                     | * Full bandwidth | DC to 5 GHz   |   | DC to 16 GHz                                   |  | DC to 25 GHz                                   |  |  |
| bandwidth (-3              | Middle bandwidth | DC to 450 MHz   | N/A   | DC to 450 MHz                                  | N/A  | N/A  |  |  |
| dB)†                       | Narrow bandwidth | DC to 100 MHz   | DC to 450 MHz   | DC to 100 MHz                                  | DC to 450 MHz                                | DC to 18 GHz                                   |  |  |
| Passband flatne            | ess              | Full: ±1 dB to 3 GHz  |   | ±1 dB to 5 GHz                                 |  | ±1 dB to 4 GHz                                 |  |  |
|                            |                  | Calculated from the bandwidth:  | 10% to 90%: calculated from Tr = 0  | .35/BW; 20% to 80%: calculated from            | n Tr = 0.25/BW                               | 1  |  |  |
| Calculated                 | Full bandwidth   | 10% to 90%: ≤ 70 ps<br>20% to 80%: ≤ 50 ps  |   | 10% to 90%: ≤ 21.9 ps<br>20% to 80%: ≤ 15.6 ps |  | 10% to 90%: ≤ 14 ps<br>20% to 80%: ≤ 10 ps     |  |  |
| rise time (Tr),<br>typical | Middle bandwidth | 10% to 90%: ≤ 780 ps<br>20% to 80%: ≤ 560 ps  | N/A   | 10% to 90%: ≤ 780 ps<br>20% to 80%: ≤ 560 ps   | N/A  |  |  |  |
|                            | Narrow bandwidth | 10% to 90%: ≤ 3.5 ns<br>20% to 80%: ≤ 2.5 ns  | 10% to 90%: ≤ 780 ps<br>20% to 80%: ≤ 560 ps  | 10% to 90%: ≤ 3.5 ns<br>20% to 80%: ≤ 2.5 ns   | 10% to 90%: ≤ 780 ps<br>20% to 80%: ≤ 560 ps | 10% to 90%: ≤ 19.5 ps<br>20% to 80%: ≤ 13.9 ps |  |  |
|                            | Full bandwidth   | Overshoot: < 8%.<br>Ringing: ±6% to 3 ns, ±4% from 3<br>100 ns, ±2% from 100 ns to 400  | •   |  |  |  |  |  |
| typical                    | Middle bandwidth | Overshoot: < 6%. Ringing: ±4% to 10 ns, ±3% from 10 ns to 100 ns, ±2% from 100 ns to 400 ns, ±1% after 400 ns.  |   | N/A  |  |  |  |  |
|                            | Narrow bandwidth | Overshoot: < 5%. Ringing: ±5% to 20 ns, ±3% from 20 ns to 100 ns, ±2% from 100 ns to 400 ns, ±1% after 400 ns.  |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|                            | * Full bandwidth | 1.8 mV, maximum, 1.6 mV, typica   | al  | 2.4 mV, maximum, 2.2 mV, typical               |  | 3.1 mV, maximum, 2.9 mV, typical               |  |  |
| RMS noise                  | Middle bandwidth | 0.8 mV, maximum, 0.65 mV typical  | N/A   | 0.8 mV, maximum, 0.65 mV typical               | N/A  | N/A  |  |  |
|                            | Narrow bandwidth | 0.6 mV, maximum, 0.45 mV typical  | 0.8 mV, maximum, 0.65 mV typical  | 0.6 mV, maximum, 0.45 mV typical               | 0.8 mV, maximum, 0.65 mV typical             | 2.7 mV, maximum, 2.5 mV, typical               |  |  |
|                            |                  | 10 mV/div to 250 mV/div.  |   |  |  | 10 mV/div to 200 mV/div.                       |  |  |
| Scale factors (s           | sensitivity)     | Also adjustable in 1% fine incren   | 5-30-40-50-60-80-100-125-150-200-<br>nents or better.<br>entry the increment is 0.1 mV/div. | -250 mV/div sequence.                          |  |  |  |  |
| * DC gain accur            | acy              | ±2% of full scale (±1.5% typical)   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Position range             |                  | ±4 divisions from center screen   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| DO -#                      |                  | Adjustable from -1 V to +1 V in 10 mV increments (coarse) or 2 mV increments (fine).  Adjustable from -800 mV to +800 mV.   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| DC offset range            |                  | Manual or calculator data entry: increment is 0.01 mV for offset -99.9 to +99.9 mV, and 0.1 mV for offset -999.9 to +999.9 mV. Referenced to the center of display graticule. |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| * Offset accurac           | су               | ±2 mV ±2% of offset setting (±1   | mV ±1% typical)   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operating input            | voltage          | ±800 mV   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vertical zoom and position |                  | For all input channels, waveform memories, or functions Vertical factor: 0.01 to 100 Vertical position: ±800 divisions maximum of zoomed waveform                             |   |  |  |  |  |  |

|  | PicoScope 9404-05  | PicoScope 9402-05  | PicoScope 9404-16   | PicoScope 9402-16 | PicoScope 9404A-25                            |
|--|--|--|---|-------------------|---|
| Channel-to-channel crosstalk (channel                        | ≥ 50 dB (316:1) for input frequen<br>≥ 40 dB (100:1) for input frequen                                   |  |   |                   | ≥ 36 dB (63:1) for input frequency            |
| isolation)   | ≥ 36 dB (63:1) for input frequence   | ≥ 36 dB (63:1) for input frequency > 3 GHz to $\leq$ 5 GHz |   |                   |   |
| Delay between channels                                       | ≤ 10 ps, typical, between any two  | channels, full bandwidth, rand                             | om sampling   |                   |   |
| ADC resolution   | 12 bits  |  |   |                   |   |
| Hardware vertical resolution                                 | 0.4 mV/LSB without averaging   |  |   |                   |   |
| Overvoltage protection                                       | ±1.4 V (DC + AC peak)  |  |   |                   | ±1.5 V (DC + AC peak)                         |
| * Input impedance  | $(50 \pm 1.5)$ Ω. $(50 \pm 1)$ Ω, typical  |  |   |                   |   |
| Input match  | Reflections for 70 ps rise time: 1   | 0% or less   | Reflections for 50 ps rise time: 1  | 0% or less        | Reflections for 20 ps rise time: 10% or less. |
| Input coupling   | DC   |  |   |                   |   |
| Input connectors   | SMA female   |  |   |                   | 2.92 mm (K) female (compatible with SMA)      |
| Internal probe power   | 6.0 W total maximum with PSU as supplied.  |  | 6.0 W total maximum with PSU as supplied.   |                   | ·   |
| Probe power per probe  | 3.3 V: 100 mA maximum<br>12 V: 500 mA maximum to total<br>probe power stated above.                      | N/A  | 3.3 V: 100 mA maximum<br>12 V: 500 mA maximum to total<br>probe power stated above. |                   | N/A   |
| Attenuation  |  |  |   |                   |   |
| Attenuation factors may be entered to scale                  | the oscilloscope for external attenu   | ators connected to the channel                             | inputs.   |                   |   |
| Range  | 0.0001:1 to 1 000 000:1  |  |   |                   |   |
| Units  | Ratio or dB  |  |   |                   |   |
| Scale  | Volt, Watt, Ampere, or unknown   |  |   |                   |   |
| Horizontal   |  |  |   |                   |   |
| Timebase   | Internal timebase common to all  | input channels.  |   |                   |   |
| Timebase range<br>(Full horizontal scale is 10 divisions)    | 50 ps/div to 1000 s/div  |  | 20 ps/div to 1000 s/div   |                   | 10 ps/div to 1000 s/div                       |
| Real-time sampling   | 10 ns/div to 1000 s/div  |  |   |                   |   |
| Random equivalent time sampling                              | 50 ps/div to 5 μs/div  |  | 20 ps/div to 5 μs/div   |                   | 10 ps/div to 5 μs/div                         |
| Roll   | 100 ms/div to 1000 s/div   |  |   |                   |   |
| Segmented  | Total number of segments: 2 to   | 024. Rearm time between seg                                | ments: <1 µs (trigger hold-off setting dep  | pendent)          |   |
| Horizontal zoom and position                                 | For all input channels, waveform<br>Horizontal factor: From 1 to 2000<br>Horizontal position: From 0% to | )  |   |                   |   |
| Timebase clock accuracy                                      | Frequency: 500 MHz   |  |   |                   |   |
| Initial set tolerance @ 25 °C ±3 °C                          | ±5 ppm   |  |   |                   | ±0.5 ppm                                      |
| Overall frequency stability over operating temperature range | ±15 ppm  |  |   |                   | ±2 ppm  |
| Aging (over 10 years @ 25 °C)                                | ±7 ppm   |  |   |                   | ±3 ppm  |
| Timebase resolution (with random sampling)                   | 1 ps   |  | 0.4 ps  |                   | 0.2 ps  |

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|------------------------|------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|--|--|
| * Delta time measure   | ment accuracy          | ±(15 ppm * reading + 0.1% * s   | creen width + 5 ps)   |   |   | ± (0.5 ppm * reading + 0.1% * screen width + 2 ps).                           |  |  |
| Pre-trigger delay      |                        | Record length / current sample  | ing rate maximum at zero variable                                     | delay time  |   |   |  |  |
| Post-trigger delay     |                        | 0 to 4.28 s. Coarse increment   | is one horizontal scale division, fin                                 | e increment is 0.1 horizontal scale divi                                      | sion, manual or calculator increment is                                   | 0.01 horizontal scale division.   |  |  |
| Channel-to-channel d   | leskew range           | ±50 ns range. Coarse increme  | nt is 100 ps, fine is 10 ps. With ma                                  | nual or calculator data entry the increm                                      | nent is four significant digits or 1 ps.                                  |   |  |  |
| Acquisition            |                        |   |   |   |   |   |  |  |
|                        | Real-time              | Captures all of the sample poi  | nts used to reconstruct a waveforr                                    | n during a single trigger event   |   |   |  |  |
| Sampling modes         | Random                 | Acquires sample points over s   | several trigger events, requiring the                                 | input waveform to be repetitive   |   |   |  |  |
|                        | Roll                   | Acquisition data is displayed i   | n a rolling fashion starting from the                                 | e right side of the display and continuir                                     | ng to the left side of the display (while                                 | the acquisition is running)   |  |  |
| Maximum sampling       | Real-time              | 500 MS/s per channel simulta  | neously   |   |   |   |  |  |
| rate                   | Random                 | Up to 1 TS/s or 1 ps trigger pla  | acement resolution  | Up to 2.5 TS/s or 0.4 ps trigger  | placement resolution.   | Up to 5 TS/s or 0.2 ps trigger placement resolution.                          |  |  |
| Record length          |                        |   |   | to 125 kS/ch for two channels, to 50 k to 125 kS/ch for two channels, to 50 k |   |   |  |  |
| Duration at highest re | eal-time sampling rate | 0.5 ms for one channel, 0.25 r  | ns for two channels, 0.125 ms for t                                   | three and four channels   |   |   |  |  |
|                        | Sample (normal)        | Acquires first sample in decim  | nation interval and displays results                                  | without further processing  |   |   |  |  |
|                        | Average                | Average value of samples in decimation interval. Number of waveforms for average: 2 to 4096.  |   |   |   |   |  |  |
|                        | Envelope               | Envelope of acquired waveforms. Minimum, Maximum or both Minimum and Maximum values acquired over one or more acquisitions. Number of acquisitions is from 2 to 4096 in ×2 sequence and continuously.   |   |   |   |   |  |  |
| Acquisition modes      | Peak detect            | Largest and smallest sample in decimation interval. Minimum pulse width: 1/(sampling rate) or 2 ns @ 50 µs/div or faster for single channel.  |   |   |   |   |  |  |
|                        | High resolution        | Averages all samples taken during an acquisition interval to create a record point. This average results in a higher-resolution, lower-bandwidth waveform. Resolution can be expanded to 12.5 bits or more, up to 16 bits.  |   |   |   |   |  |  |
|                        | Segmented              | Number of segments: 1 to 1024, rearm time: < 3 µs or user defined hold-off time, whichever is larger (minimum time between trigger events). User can view selected segment, overlaid segments or selected plus overlay. Search segments: step through, gated block and binary search. Segments are delta and absolute time-stamped. |   |   |   |   |  |  |
| Trigger                |                        |   |   |   |   |   |  |  |
| Trigger sources        |                        | Internal from any of four channels  | Internal from any of two channels, External Direct                    | Internal from any of four channels, External Prescaled                        | Internal from any of two channels,<br>External Direct, External Prescaled | Internal from any of four<br>channels, External Direct, External<br>Prescaled |  |  |
|                        | Freerun                | Triggers automatically but not  | synchronized to the input in abser                                    | nce of trigger event.   | 1   | '   |  |  |
| Trigger mode           | Normal (triggered)     | Requires trigger event for osci   | lloscope to trigger.  |   |   |   |  |  |
|                        | Single                 | Software button that triggers only once on a trigger event. Not suitable for random sampling.   |   |   |   |   |  |  |
| Trigger holdoff mode   |                        | Time or random  |   |   |   |   |  |  |
| Trigger holdoff range  |                        |   |   |   | value between triggers. The randomize                                     | ed time values can be between the   |  |  |
| Internal trigger       |                        |   |   |   |   |   |  |  |
| Trigger etyle          |                        | <b>Edge:</b> Triggers on a rising and <b>Divide:</b> The trigger source is d  | falling edge of any source within fivided down four times (/4) before | requency range DC to 2.5 GHz.<br>being applied to the trigger system. M       | aximum trigger frequency 5 GHz.   |   |  |  |
| Trigger style          |                        | Clock recovery (optional): 6.5 Mb/s to 5 Gb/s   |   | Clock recovery (optional): 6.5 Mb/s to 8 Gb/s                                 |   | Clock recovery (optional):<br>6.5 Mb/s to 11.3 Gb/s                           |  |  |

|                            |                   | PicoScope 9404-05  | PicoScope 9402-05  | PicoScope 9404-16   | PicoScope 9402-16       | PicoScope 9404A-25  |  |  |  |
|----------------------------|-------------------|--|--|---|-------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| Bandwidth and              | Low sensitivity   | 100 mV p-p DC to 100 MHz increasing linearly from 100 mV p-p at 100 MHz to 200 mV p-p at 5 GHz. Pulse Width: 100 ps @ 200 mV p-p typical |  |   |                         |   |  |  |  |
| sensitivity                | *High sensitivity | 30 mV p-p DC to 100 MHz in   | mV p-p DC to 100 MHz increasing linearly from 30 mV p-p at 100 MHz to 70 mV p-p at 5 GHz. Pulse Width: 100 ps @ 70 mV p-p. |   |                         |   |  |  |  |
| Level range                | '                 | -1 V to +1 V in 10 mV increr   | ments (coarse). Also adjustable in f   | ne increments of 1 mV.  |                         |   |  |  |  |
| Edge trigger slope         |                   | Positive: Triggers on rising e<br>Negative: Triggers on falling<br>Bi-slope: Triggers on both e  | g edge   |   |                         |   |  |  |  |
|                            |                   | Combined trigger and interp  | olator jitter  |   |                         |   |  |  |  |
| * RMS jitter               |                   | Edge and divided trigger: 2 p  | os + 0.1 ppm of delay, maximum   |   |                         | 1.5 ps + 0.1 ppm of delay,<br>maximum<br>1.2 ps + 0.1 ppm of delay, typical |  |  |  |
|                            |                   | Clock recovery trigger (option   | onal): 2 ps + 1.0% of unit interval + 0  | .1 ppm delay, maximum   |                         |   |  |  |  |
| Coupling                   |                   | DC   |  |   |                         |   |  |  |  |
| External prescaled         | l trigger         |  |  |   |                         |   |  |  |  |
| Coupling                   |                   |  |  | 50 Ω, AC coupled, fixed leve  | zero volts              |   |  |  |  |
| *Bandwidth and se          | ensitivity        |  |  | 200 mV p-p from 1 GHz to 1  | 6 GHz (sine wave input) | 200 mV p-p from 1 GHz to 20 GHz   |  |  |  |
| *DMC iittor                |                   |  |  | 2 ps + 0.1 ppm of delay, ma   | ximum.                  | 1.5 ps, maximum, 1.2 ps, typical  |  |  |  |
| *RMS jitter N/A            |                   |  |  | For trigger input slope > 2 V/ns. Combined trigger and interpolator jitter. |                         |   |  |  |  |
| Prescaler ratio            |                   |  | Divided by 8, fixed  |   |                         |   |  |  |  |
| Maximum safe input voltage |                   |  |  | ±3 V (DC + AC peak)   |                         |   |  |  |  |
| Input connector            |                   |  |  | SMA(f)  |                         |   |  |  |  |

|                           |                           | PicoScope 9404-05  | PicoScope 9402-05  | PicoScope 9404-16   | PicoScope 9402-16   | PicoScope 9404A-25  |  |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|---|---|---|--|
| External direct           | trigger                   | 1  |  | <u> </u>  |   |   |  |
|                           | Edge                      |  | Triggers on a rising and falling edge of any source from DC to 2.5 GHz.  | -   |   |   |  |
| Style                     | Divide                    |  | Trigger source divided by 4 before input to the trigger system.  Maximum trigger frequency 5 GHz.  |   | Same as 9402-05   |   |  |
|                           | Clock recovery (optional) |  | 6.5 Mb/s to 5 Gb/s   |   | 6.5 Mb/s to 8 Gb/s  | 6.5 Mb/s to 11.3 Gb/s   |  |
| Coupling                  |                           |  | DC   |   | DC  |   |  |
| Bandwidth and sensitivity | * Low sensitivity         | N/A  | 100 mV p-p DC to 100 MHz.<br>Increasing linearly from 100 mV p-p<br>at 100 MHz to 200 mV p-p at 5<br>GHz.<br>Pulse width: 100 ps @ 200 mV p-p<br>typical.<br>30 mV p-p DC to 100 MHz.  | N/A   |   |   |  |
|                           | High sensitivity          |  | Increasing linearly from 30 mV p-p at 100 MHz to 70 mV p-p at 5 GHz. Pulse width: 100 ps @ 70 mV p-p.  |   | Same as 9402-05   |   |  |
| Level range               |                           |  | <ul><li>-1 V to 1 V.</li><li>10 mV coarse increments.</li><li>1 mV fine increments.</li></ul>  |   |   |   |  |
| Slope                     |                           |  | Rising, falling, bi-slope  |   |   |   |  |
| * RMS jitter, ed          | ge and divided            |  | 2 ps + 0.1 ppm of delay,<br>maximum  |   | Same as 9402-05   | 1.5 ps + 0.1 ppm of delay,<br>maximum.<br>1.2 ps + 0.1 ppm of delay, typical. |  |
| RMS jitter, cloc          | k recovery (optional)     |  | 2 ps + 1.0% of unit interval + 0.1 ppm of delay, maximum   |   |   |   |  |
| Maximum safe              | input voltage             |  | ±3 V (DC + AC peak)  |   | Same as 9402-05   |   |  |
| Input connecto            | r                         |  | SMA(f)   |   |   |   |  |
| Display                   |                           |  |  |   |   |   |  |
| Persistence               |                           | Infinite persistence: In this m<br>Variable Gray Scaling: Five le<br>Infinite Gray Scaling: In this r<br>Variable Color Grading: With<br>rapidly changing waveforms. | nat each data point is retained on the disp<br>node, a waveform sample point is display<br>evels of a single color that is varied in sati<br>mode, a waveform sample point is display<br>Color Grading selected, historical timing<br>Refresh time can be varied from 1 to 200<br>mode, a waveform sample point is display | ed forever.<br>uration and luminosity. Refres<br>yed forever in five levels of a s<br>information is represented by<br>) s. | th time can be varied from 1 s to 200<br>single color.<br>a temperature or spectral color sch |   |  |
| Style                     |                           | Vector: This function draws a  | thout persistence, each new waveform reastraight line through the data points on t   | the display. Not suited to mult   | •   | am.   |  |
| Graticule                 |                           | Full Grid, Axes with tick mark   | ss, <b>Frame</b> with tick marks, <b>Off</b> (no graticul  | e)  |   |   |  |

|                          | PicoScope 9404-05   | PicoScope 9402-05  | PicoScope 9404-16   | PicoScope 9402-16   | PicoScope 9404A-25   |
|--------------------------|---|--|---|---|--|
| Format                   | Single XT: All waveforms are Dual YT: With two graticules Quad YT: With four graticule When you select dual or qua XY: Displays voltages of two plotted on the vertical Y axis XY + YT: Displays both XY are is one screen and any displa | e superimposed and are eight divis s, all waveforms can be four division es, all waveforms can be two division di screen display, every waveform co waveforms against each other. This and YT pictures. The YT format appeared waveforms are superimposed and XY pictures. The YT format appeared screens. | ns high, displayed separately or superns high, displayed separately or suphannel, memory and function can be amplitude of the first waveform is ears on the upper part of the screen, | rimposed. erimposed. eplaced on a specified graticule. plotted on the horizontal X axis and and the XY format on the lower part | the amplitude of the second waveform is<br>of the screen. The YT format display area<br>t of the screen. The YT format display |
| Colors                   | You may choose a default comemories, FFTs, TDR/TDTs,  |  | olor set. Different colors are used for   | displaying selected items: backgrou   | und, channels, functions, waveform   |
| Trace annotation         |   |  | bearing your own text, to a waveforn<br>agging or by specifying an exact ho   |   | n create multiple labels and turn them all   |
| Save/Recall              |   |  |   |   |  |
| Management               | Store and recall setups, wave   | eforms and user mask files to any o  | drive on your PC. Storage capacity is   | limited only by disk space.   |  |
| File extensions          | Waveform files: .wfm for bin<br>Database files: .wdb<br>Setup files: .set<br>User mask files: .pcm  | ary format, .txt for verbose format  | (text), .txty for Y values formats (text  | ()  |  |
| Operating system         | Microsoft Windows 7, 8 and  | 10, 32-bit and 64-bit.   |   |   |  |
| Waveform save/recall     | Up to four waveforms may b  | e stored into the waveform memor   | ies (M1 to M4), and then recalled for   | display.  |  |
| Save to/recall from disk | create subdirectories and wa  | aveform files, or overwrite existing   |   |   | s dialog box. From this dialog box you can   |
| Save/recall setups       | The instrument can store co   | implete setups in the memory and t   | hen recall them.  |   |  |
| Screen image             | You can copy a screen imag  | e into the clipboard with the follow   | ng formats: Full Screen, Full Window  | , Client Part, Invert Client Part and O   | scilloscope Screen.  |
| Autoscale                | inputs.   | res a repetitive signal with a freque  |   |   | propriate to the signals applied to the r than 100 mV p-p. Autoscale is operative  |
| Marker                   |   |  |   |   |  |
| Marker type              | X-Marker: vertical bars (mea<br>Y-Marker: horizontal bars (m<br>XY-Marker: waveform marke   | neasure volts)   |   |   |  |
| Marker measurements      | Absolute, Delta, Volt, Time, F  | Frequency and Slope  |   |   |  |
| Marker motion            | Independent: both markers of Paired: both markers can be  | can be adjusted independently.<br>e adjusted together.   |   |   |  |
| Ratiometric measurements | Provide ratios between measure  | sured and reference values. Results  | s in such ratiometric units as %, dB, a   | ind degrees.  |  |
| Measure                  |   |  |   |   |  |
| Automated measurements   | Up to ten simultaneous mea  | surements are supported.   |   |   |  |
| Automatic parametric     | 53 automatic measurements   | s available.   |   |   |  |
| Amplitude measurements   | Maximum, Minimum, Top, Ba<br>Cycle Area.  | ase, Peak-Peak, Amplitude, Middle,   | Mean, Cycle Mean, DC RMS, Cycle D   | C RMS, AC RMS, Cycle AC RMS, Pos  | itive Overshoot, Negative Overshoot, Area,   |

|  |                            | PicoScope 9404-05   | PicoScope 9402-05  | PicoScope 9404-16  | PicoScope 9402-16   | PicoScope 9404A-25   |  |  |  |
|--|----------------------------|---|--|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| Timing measure   | ements                     |   |  | Time, Positive Duty Cycle, Negative D<br>RMS, Negative Jitter p-p, Negative Jit  | Outy Cycle, Positive Crossing, Negative C<br>Iter RMS.                                | rossing, Burst Width, Cycles, Time   |  |  |  |
| Inter-signal mea   | asurements                 | Delay (8 options), Phase Deg, Phase Rad, Phase %, Gain, Gain dB.  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| FFT measureme  | ents                       | FFT Magnitude, FFT Delta Magnitude, THD, FFT Frequency, FFT Delta Frequency.  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Measurement s  | tatistics                  | Displays current, minimum, m  | Displays current, minimum, maximum, mean and standard deviation on any displayed waveform measurements.  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Method of top-k  | pase definition            | Histogram, Min/Max, or User-  | Histogram, Min/Max, or User-Defined (in absolute voltage).   |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Thresholds Upper, middle and lower horizontal bars settable in percentage, voltage or divisions. Standard thresholds are 10–50–90% or 20–50–80%. |                            |   |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Marginsradio   |                            | Any region of the waveform n  | nay be isolated for measurement us   | ing left and right margins (vertical bai   | rs).  |  |  |  |  |
| Measurement n  | node                       | Repetitive or Single-shot   |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
|  | Source                     | Internal from any of four channels  | Internal from any of two channels, External Direct   | Internal from any of four channels, External Prescaled   |   | Internal from any of four channels,<br>External Direct, External Prescaled |  |  |  |
|  | Resolution                 | 7 digits  | ·  |  | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·   |  |  |  |  |
| Counter  | Maximum frequency          | Internal or external direct trig  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
|  |                            | External prescaled trigger: 16  | GHz  |  |   | External prescaled trigger: 20 GHz   |  |  |  |
|  | Measurement Time reference | Frequency, period   | la ali   |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Mathamatica  | Time reference             | Internal 250 MHz reference c  | IOCK   |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Mathematics Waveform math  |                            | Ho to form weath words from   | an be defined and displayed using m  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Categories and   | math operators             | Algebra: Exponentiation (e), E<br>Inverse, Square Root of the St<br>Trigonometry: Sine, Cosine, T<br>FFT: Complex FFT, FFT Magn<br>Bit operator: AND, NAND, OR,<br>Miscellaneous: Autocorrelati | um<br>angent, Cotangent, ArcSine, Arc Cos<br>itude, FFT Phase, FFT Real part, FFT<br>NOR, XOR, XNOR, NOT   | (a), Logarithm (e), Logarithm (10), Log<br>sine, ArcTangent, Arc Cotangent, Hype<br>Imaginary part, Complex Inverse FFT<br>frend, Linear Interpolation, Sin(x)/x Int |   |  |  |  |  |
| Operands   |                            | Any channel, waveform mem   | ory, math function, spectrum, or con   | stant can be selected as a source for  | one of two operands.  |  |  |  |  |
| FFT  |                            | FFT frequency resolution: Fre<br>FFT windows: The built-in filte<br>amplitude accuracy.<br>FFT measurements: Marker n<br>frequency, magnitude, and de   | Any channel, waveform memory, math function, spectrum, or constant can be selected as a source for one of two operands.  FFT frequency span: Frequency Span = Sample Rate / 2 = Record Length / (2 × Timebase Range)  FFT frequency resolution: Frequency Resolution = Sample Rate / Record Length  FFT windows: The built-in filters (Rectangular, Hamming, Hann, Flattop, Blackman—Harris and Kaiser—Bessel) allow optimization of frequency resolution, transients, and amplitude accuracy.  FFT measurements: Marker measurements can be made on frequency, delta frequency, magnitude, and delta magnitude. Marker measurements can be made on frequency, magnitude, and delta magnitude.  Automated FFT Measurements include: FFT Magnitude, FFT Delta Magnitude, THD, FFT Frequency, and FFT Delta Frequency. |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Histogram  |                            |   |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Histogram axis   |                            | Vertical or horizontal. Both ve   | ertical and horizontal histograms, wit   | h periodically updated measurement   | s, allow statistical distributions to be an   | alyzed over any region of the signal.                                      |  |  |  |
| Histogram mea  | surement set               | Scale, Offset, Hits in Box, Way   | veforms, Peak Hits, Pk-Pk, Median, M   | lean, Standard Deviation, Mean ±1 St   | d Dev, Mean ±2 Std Dev, Mean ±3 Std De  | v, Min, Max-Max, Max   |  |  |  |
| Histogram wind   | low                        | The histogram window determ horizontal and vertical scaling   |  | used to plot the histogram. You can s  | et the size of the histogram window to b  | e any size that you want within the  |  |  |  |
| Eye diagram  |                            |   |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Eye diagram  |                            | PicoScope can automatically   | characterize an NRZ and RZ eye pat   | tern. Measurements are based upon  | statistical analysis of the waveform.   |  |  |  |  |
| NRZ measurem   | ent set                    | Y: AC RMS, Crossing %, Cross  | sing Level, Eye Amplitude, Eye Height  |  | Time, Frequency, Jitter (p-p, RMS), Perio<br>, Negative Overshoot, Noise p-p (One, Ze |  |  |  |  |

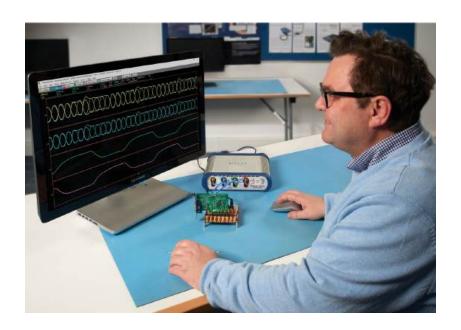
|                   |               | PicoScope 9404-05                                       | PicoScope 9402-05                                | PicoScope 9404-16  | PicoScope 9402-16                     | PicoScope 9404A-25  |
|-------------------|---------------|---|--|--|---------------------------------------|---|
| RZ measurer       | nent set      | Symmetry, Pulse Width, Ris                              | e Time<br>(dB, %, ratio), Eye Amplitude, Eye Hig |  |                                       | e Crossing, Positive Duty Cycle, Pulse<br>, Zero), Noise RMS (One, Zero), One Level |
| Mask test         |               |   |  |  |                                       |   |
| Mask test         |               | Acquired signals are tested from disk, or created auton |  | o eight polygons. Any samples that t   | all within the polygon boundaries re  | sult in test failures. Masks can be loaded  |
|                   |               | Standard predefined optical                             | l or standard electrical masks can b             | e created.   |                                       |   |
|                   |               | OC1/STMO (51.84 Mb/s) to                                | FEC 2666 (2.6666 Gb/s)                           |  |                                       |   |
|                   | SONET/SDH     |   |  |  |                                       | OTU2: 10.709 Gb/s) to DT_18FC_<br>TEST (14.025 Gb/s)                                |
|                   | Fibre Channel | FC133 Electrical (132.8 Mb                              | /s) to FC2125E Abs Gamma Tx.mas                  | k (2.125 Gb/s)   |                                       |   |
|                   | Fibre Charmer |   |  | FC4250 Optical PI Rev13 (4.  | 25 Gb/s) to FC4250E Abs Gamma T       | x.mask (4.25 Gb/s)  |
|                   | Ethernet      | 100BASE-BX10 (125 Mb/s)                                 | to 3.125 Gb/s 10GBase-CX4 Absolu                 | ite TP2 (3.125 Gb/s)   |                                       |   |
|                   |               |   |  |  |                                       | 10Gb Ethernet (9.953 Gb/s) to 10xGb Ethernet (12.5 Gb/s)                            |
|                   |               | 2.5 G driver test points (2.5                           | Gb/s). Ten masks, test points 1 to 1             | 0  |                                       |   |
| Standard<br>masks | InfiniBand    |   |  | 5.0G driver test point 1 (5 G<br>5.0G driver test point 6 (5 G<br>5.0G transmitter pins (5 Gb/ | b/s)                                  |   |
|                   |               |   |  |  |                                       | QDR 10.0 (10 Gb/s) to FDR_<br>Stress_Out (10.0627 Gb/s)                             |
|                   | XAUI          | 3.125 Gb/s XAUI Far End (3                              | 3.125 Gb/s) to XAUI-E Near (3.125 G              | o/s)   |                                       |   |
|                   | ITU G.703     | DS1, 100 Ω twisted pair (1.                             | $544$ Mb/s) to 155 Mb 1 Inv, 75 $\Omega$ coa     | x (155.520 Mb/s)   |                                       |   |
|                   | ANSI T1/102   | DS1, 100 $\Omega$ twisted pair (1.                      | 544 Mb/s) to STS3, 75 $\Omega$ coax, (155.       | 520 Mb/s)  |                                       |   |
|                   | RapidIO       | Serial Level 1, 1.25G Rx (1.2                           | 25 Gb/s) to Serial Level 1, 3.125G Tx            | SR (3.125 Gb/s)  |                                       |   |
|                   |               | R1.0a 2.5G Add-in Card Tra                              | nsmitter Non-Transition bit mask (2              | 5 Gb/s) to R1.1 2.5G Transmitter Tra   | ansition bit mask (2.5 Gb/s)          |   |
| PCI Express       |               |   |  | R2.0 5.0G Add-in Card 35 dB<br>Transition bit mask (5 Gb/s)                                    | 3 Transmitter Non-Transition bit mas  | k (5 Gb/s) to R2.1 5.0G Transmitter   |
|                   | Serial ATA    | Ext Length, 1.5G 250 Cycle                              | Rx Mask (1.5 Gb/s) to Gen1m, 3.0G                | 5 Cycle, Tx Mask (3 Gb/s)  |                                       |   |
| Mask margin       | ·             | Available for industry-stand                            | lard mask testing                                |  |                                       |   |
| Automask cr       | eation        | · ·   | <u> </u>   | als. Automask specifies both delta X   | and delta Y tolerances. The failure a | ctions are identical to those of limit  |
| Data collecte     | d during test | Total number of waveforms                               | s examined, number of failed sample              | es, number of hits within each polydo  | on boundary                           |   |

|   | PicoScope 9404-05  | PicoScope 9402-05 | PicoScope 9404-16       | PicoScope 9402-16 | PicoScope 9404A-25    |
|---|--|-------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Calibrator output                                 |  |                   |                         |                   |                       |
| Calibrator output mode                            | DC, 1 kHz or variable frequency<br>(15.266 Hz to 500 kHz) square<br>wave                             |                   | Same as 9404-05         |                   |                       |
| Output DC level                                   | Adjustable from $-1$ V to $+1$ V into 50 $\Omega$ . Coarse increment: 50 mV, fine increment: 1 mV.   | N/A               |                         | N/A               | Same as 9404-05       |
| * Output DC level accuracy                        | ±1 mV ±0.5% of output DC level   | .,                |                         | .,                |                       |
| Output impedance                                  | 50 Ω nominal   |                   |                         |                   |                       |
| Rise/fall time                                    | 150 ns, typical  |                   |                         |                   |                       |
| Output connectors                                 | SMA female   |                   |                         |                   |                       |
| Trigger output                                    |  |                   |                         |                   |                       |
| Timing  | Positive transition equivalent to acquisition trigger point. Negative transition after user holdoff. |                   |                         |                   |                       |
| Low level   | (-0.2 ±0.1) V into 50 $\Omega$   |                   | Same as 9404-05         |                   |                       |
| Amplitude   | (900 ±200) mV into 50 $\Omega$   |                   |                         |                   |                       |
| Rise time   | 10% to 90%: ≤ 0.45 ns;<br>20% to 80%: ≤ 0.3 ns   | N/A               |                         | N/A               | Same as 9404-05       |
| RMS jitter  | 2 ps or less   |                   |                         |                   |                       |
| Output delay                                      | 4 ±1 ns  |                   |                         |                   |                       |
| Output coupling                                   | DC coupled   |                   |                         |                   |                       |
| Output connectors                                 | SMA(f)   |                   |                         |                   |                       |
| Clock recovery trigger - recovered data out       | tput (optional)  |                   |                         |                   |                       |
| Data rate   | 6.5 Mb/s to 5 Gb/s   |                   | 6.5 Mb/s to 8 Gb/s      |                   | 6.5 Mb/s to 11.3 Gb/s |
| Eye amplitude                                     | 250 mV p-p, typical  |                   |                         |                   |                       |
| Eye rise/fall time                                | 20%-80%: 75 ps, typical  |                   | 20%-80%: 50 ps, typical |                   |                       |
| RMS jitter  | 2 ps +1% of unit interval  |                   |                         |                   |                       |
| Output coupling                                   | AC-coupled   |                   |                         |                   |                       |
| Output connections                                | SMA female   |                   |                         |                   |                       |
| Clock recovery trigger - recovered clock ou       | utput (optional)   |                   |                         |                   |                       |
| Output frequency<br>(half-full-rate clock output) | 3.25 MHz to 2.5 GHz  |                   | 3.25 MHz to 4 GHz       |                   | 3.25 MHz to 5.65 GHz  |
| Output amplitude                                  | 250 mV p-p, typical  |                   |                         |                   |                       |
| Output coupling                                   | AC-coupled   |                   |                         |                   |                       |
| Output connectors                                 | SMA female   |                   |                         |                   |                       |

|                                    | PicoScope 9404-05  | PicoScope 9402-05   | PicoScope 9404-16  | PicoScope 9402-16 | PicoScope 9404A-25 |  |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|-------------------|--------------------|--|
| General                            |  |   | -  |                   |                    |  |
| Power supply voltage               | +12 V ±5%  |   |  |                   |                    |  |
| Power supply current               | 2.6 A maximum and 3.3 A including active accessory loads   | 1.8 A maximum   | 2.7 A maximum and 3.3 A including active accessory loads | 1.8 A maximum     | 2.8 A maximum      |  |
| Protection                         | Automatic shutdown on excess or reverse voltage  |   |  |                   |                    |  |
| AC-DC adaptor                      | Universal adaptor supplied   |   |  |                   |                    |  |
| PC connection                      | USB 2.0 (high speed). Also compatible with USB 3.0   |   |  |                   |                    |  |
|                                    | Ethernet LAN   | N/A   | Ethernet LAN   | N/A               | Ethernet LAN       |  |
| Software                           | PicoSample 4: Windows 7, 8 and   | PicoSample 4: Windows 7, 8 and 10 (32-bit and 64-bit versions). |  |                   |                    |  |
| PC requirements                    | Processor, memory and disk space: as required by the operating system  |   |  |                   |                    |  |
| Temperature range                  | Operating: +5 °C to +40 °C for normal operation, +15 °C to +25 °C for quoted accuracy<br>Storage: -20 °C to +50 °C |   |  |                   |                    |  |
| Humidity range                     | Operating: Up to 85 %RH (non-condensing) at +25 °C Storage: Up to 95 %RH (non-condensing)                          |   |  |                   |                    |  |
| Environment                        | Up to 2000 m altitude and EN61010 pollution degree 2   |   |  |                   |                    |  |
| Dimensions (W × H × D)             | 245 × 60 × 232 mm  | 160 × 55 × 220 mm   | 245 × 60 × 232 mm  | 160 × 55 × 220 mm | 244 × 54 × 233 mm  |  |
| Net weight                         | 1.4 kg   | 800 g   | 1.4 kg   | 800 g             | 1.52 kg            |  |
| Compliance                         | CFR-47 FCC (EMC), EN 61326-1 (EMC) and EN 61010-1 (LVD)  |   |  |                   |                    |  |
| Warranty                           | 5 years  |   |  |                   |                    |  |
| * Specifications marked with (*) a | re checked during performance verification.  |   |  |                   |                    |  |



<sup>†</sup> These specifications are valid after a 30-minute warm-up period and ±2 °C from firmware calibration temperature.



## Kit contents and accessories

Your PicoScope 9400 Series oscilloscope kit contains the following items:

- PicoScope 9400 Series sampler-extended real-time oscilloscope (SXRTO)
- PicoSample 4 software supplied on USB stick
- Free software updates from <a href="https://www.picotech.com/downloads">www.picotech.com/downloads</a>
- Quick start guide
- 12 V power supply, IEC inlet
- 4 x localized IEC mains leads (UK, EU, US, Australia/New Zealand)
- USB cable, 1.8 m
- PicoWrench N / SMA / PC3.5 / K combination wrench
- Storage / carry case
- LAN cable, 1 m (9404 models only)

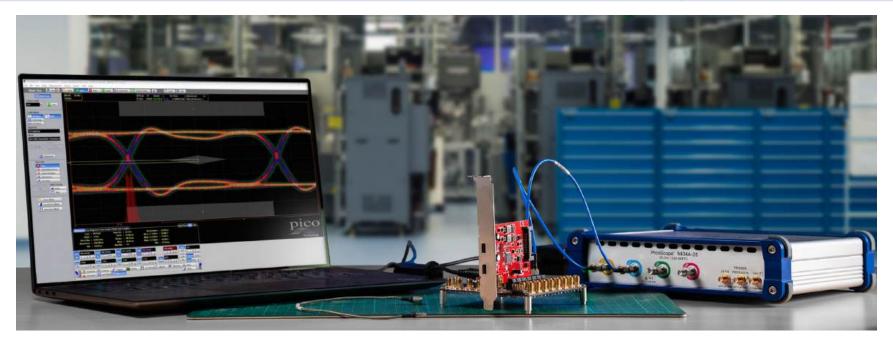
# **Optional accessories**

| Optional ac | cessories   |           |
|-------------|---|-----------|
| Order code  | Description   |           |
| Adaptors    |   |           |
| TA313       | 3 GHz SMA(f)-BNC(m) interseries adaptor   |           |
| TA314       | 18 GHz SMA(f) to N(m) interseries adaptor   |           |
| TA170       | 18 GHz 50 Ω SMA(m-f) connector saver adaptor  |           |
| TA571       | 40 GHz 50 $\Omega$ 2.92 mm (K) female (compatible with SMA) connector saver adaptor |           |
| TA172       | 18 GHz 50 Ω N(f) to SMA(m) interseries adaptor                                      |           |
| PicoConnect | 900 Series Kits   |           |
| PQ067       | PicoConnect 910 Kit: all six microwave and pulse probe heads with two cables        |           |
| PQ066       | PicoConnect 920 Kit: all six gigabit probe heads with two cables                    |           |
| TA315       | PicoConnect probe tips and solder-in kit  | Sissis of |
| PicoConnect | 900 Series passive probes   |           |
| TA274       | PicoConnect 911 20:1 960 Ω AC-coupled 4 GHz RF, microwave and pulse probe           |           |
| TA275       | PicoConnect 912 20:1 960 Ω DC-coupled 4 GHz RF, microwave and pulse probe           |           |
| TA278       | PicoConnect 913 10:1 440 Ω AC-coupled 4 GHz RF, microwave and pulse probe           | pico      |
| TA279       | PicoConnect 914 10:1 440 Ω DC-coupled 4 GHz RF, microwave and pulse probe           |           |
| TA282       | PicoConnect 915 5:1 230 Ω AC-coupled 5 GHz RF, microwave and pulse probe            |           |
| TA283       | PicoConnect 916 5:1 230 Ω DC-coupled 5 GHz RF, microwave and pulse probe            |           |
| TA272       | PicoConnect 921 20:1 AC-coupled 6 GHz gigabit passive probe                         | 199       |
| TA273       | PicoConnect 922 20:1 DC-coupled 6 GHz gigabit passive probe                         |           |
| TA276       | PicoConnect 923 10:1 AC-coupled 7 GHz gigabit passive probe                         | -         |
| TA277       | PicoConnect 924 10:1 DC-coupled 7 GHz gigabit passive probe                         | Packaren  |
| TA280       | PicoConnect 925 5:1 AC-coupled 9 GHz gigabit passive probe                          |           |
| TA281       | PicoConnect 926 5:1 DC-coupled 9 GHz gigabit passive probe                          |           |



# **Optional accessories**

| Order code  | Description   |         |  |
|-------------|---|---------|--|
| Attenuators |   |         |  |
| TA181       | Attenuator 3 dB 10 GHz 50 Ω SMA (m-f)   |         |  |
| TA261       | Attenuator 6 dB 10 GHz 50 Ω SMA (m-f)   |         |  |
| TA262       | Attenuator 10 dB 10 GHz 50 Ω SMA (m-f)  |         |  |
| TA173       | Attenuator 20 dB 10 GHz 50 $\Omega$ SMA (m-f)                                   |         |  |
| Coaxial cal | ole assemblies  |         |  |
| TA264       | Precision high-flex unsleeved coaxial cable 30 cm SMA(m-m) 1.1 dB loss @ 13 GHz |         |  |
| TA265       | Precision sleeved coaxial cable 30 cm SMA(m-m) 1.3 dB loss @ 13 GHz             | ( ) ( ) |  |
| TA312       | Precision sleeved coaxial cable 60 cm SMA(m-m) 2.2 dB loss @ 13 GHz             | 9 / 8 / |  |
| Tools       |   |         |  |
| TA358       | Torque wrench N-type 1 N·m (8.85 in·lb) dual-break                              |         |  |
| TA356       | Torque wrench SMA/PC3.5/K, 1 N·m (8.85 in·lb) dual-break                        |         |  |



PicoScope 9400 Series sampler-extended real-time oscilloscope ordering information

| Description                     | Bandwidth (GHz) | Channels | Order code |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|
| PicoScope 9404A-25 oscilloscope | 25              | 4        | PQ355      |
| PicoScope 9404-16 oscilloscope  | 16              | 4        | PQ182      |
| PicoScope 9402-16 oscilloscope  | 16              | 2        | PQ212      |
| PicoScope 9404-05 oscilloscope  | 5               | 4        | PQ181      |
| PicoScope 9402-05 oscilloscope  | 5               | 2        | PQ211      |

PicoScope 9404A-25

PicoScope 9404-16

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